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1. DEPUTY PERMANENT UNDER SECRETARY OF MFA HELGASON INFORMED EMBASSY THAT UNDER TERMS OF LAW OF 1948, ANY TYPE OF EX-PLORATION OR RESEARCH ON ICELANDIC CONTINENTAL SHELF MUST HAVE PRIOR PERMISSION OF ICELANDIC NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL AND ANY BIOLOGICAL SAMPLING (CATCHING ANY FISH WHATSOEVER) REQUIRES ADVANCE AUTHORIZATION OF MINISTRY OF FISHERIES. HE ADDED THA SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CONCERNED WITH MEASUREMENTS OF TEMPERATURE, CURRENTS, WIND, ETC. WOULD NOT HOWEVER NEED PRIOR APPROVAL.

2. HELGASON RECOMMENDED THAT MARINE RESEARCH SUBJECT SHOULD ALSO BE RAISED DIRECTLY WITH ICELAND'S AMBASSADOR TO U.S., HANS ANDERSEN. SINCE ANDERSEN IS ICELAND'S EXPERT ON LOS

HIS COMMENTS AND VIEWS ON LOS MATTERS, ACCORDING TO HELGASON, ARE PRIMARY FACTORS IN DETERMINING RELEVANT GOI POLICY.

3. IN LIGHT OF HELGASON'S COMMENTS, SUGGEST DEPARTMENT MAY WISH FOLLOW UP WITH AMBASSADOR
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